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In re application of: Hon Wah Chin

Attorney Docket No.: CISCP054

Application No.: 09/164,388

Examiner: Prieto, B.

Filed: September 30, 1998

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Title: REDUCING CPU OVERHEAD IN THE FORWARDING PROCESS

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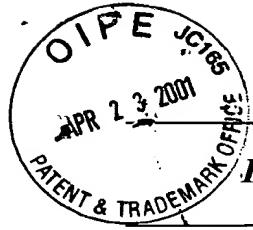
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

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The following remarks are provided in response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2001.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action dated January 18, 2001 is respectfully requested. Claims 1-42 are pending.

CLAIM REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

Claims 1-42 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,333,269 (Calvignac) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,920,568 (Kurita). In addition, claims 43-44 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,333,269 (Calvignac) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,920,568 (Kurita) and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,319,712 (Finkelstein).